

House Resolution 387

By: Representatives Stanley-Turner of the 53rd, Cooper of the 41st, Thomas of the 55th,
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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing obesity as an increasing health concern and a cause of rising medical costs in
2 Georgia and declaring the month of November as Healthy Living Month; and for other
3 purposes.

4 WHEREAS, obesity is a serious medical condition affecting up to one-third of all
5 Americans; and

6 WHEREAS, obesity is known to cause or exacerbate a number of serious disorders,
7 including hypertension, dyslipidemia, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, respiratory
8 dysfunction, gout, and osteoarthritis; and

9 WHEREAS, obesity ranks second only to smoking as a preventable cause of death; and

10 WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of this state to continue to implement
11 existing effective methods of treatment and prevention of adult and childhood obesity and
12 to reduce the potential for other serious medical conditions caused or exacerbated by obesity;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, education, prevention, and proper treatment of obesity can reduce health care
15 costs and improve the quality of life for a significant number of adults and children in
16 Georgia.

17 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
18 the month of November is declared Healthy Living Month in Georgia.